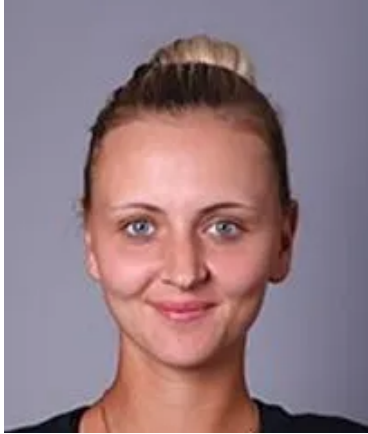




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165

**MARYNA
ZANEVSKA**
BELGIUM

**KRISTINA
KUCOVA**
SLOVAKIA

150

1993-08-24	Date of Birth	1990-05-23
Namur, Belgium	Residence	Bratislava, Slovakia
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed both sides)
5' 9" (1.75 m)	Height	5' 4" (1.63 m)
105	Career-High Ranking	71
\$929,177	Career Prize Money	\$1,310,372
\$71,154	Season Prize Money	\$91,759
1 / 1	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 0
0-6 (Round of 128: 2017 WIMBLEDON, AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2016 ROLAND GARROS, AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2014 US OPEN, ROLAND GARROS)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	4-9 (Round of 64: 2019 ROLAND GARROS; 2017 WIMBLEDON, AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2009 WIMBLEDON)
4-0 / 4-0	YTD / Career GDYNIA W-L (best)	4-0 / 4-0
8-2 / 13-27	YTD / Career W-L	7-3 / 41-55
8-2 / 12-16	YTD / Career Clay W-L	5-1 / 15-21
2-0 / 6-8	YTD / Career 3-Set W-L	3-2 / 19-12
0-0 / 7-5	YTD / Career TB W-L	3-1 / 8-12
Finalist: GDYNIA	YTD Best Result	Finalist: GDYNIA



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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2016	FRENCH OPEN	CLAY	Qual.	Maryna Zanevska	6-2 3-6 6-2	2h 1m
2015	PRAGUE	CLAY	QF	Maryna Zanevska	6-3 6-0	-
2015	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD	Qual.	Maryna Zanevska	2-6 6-0 6-4	2h 6m
2014	WIMBLEDON	GRASS	Qual.	Maryna Zanevska	6-4 4-6 6-3	2h 5m
2012	ZWEVEGEM	CLAY	QF	Kristina Kucova	7-5 7-6(5)	-

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
246	258	2020	139	149
181	249	2019	145	169
146	221	2018	245	265
105	147	2017	75	243
126	127	2016	71	80
118	140	2015	116	147
118	134	2014	103	143
107	117	2013	154	154
192	197	2012	205	287
270	435	2011	167	205



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

SF: d. K. KOZLOVA (#141) 6-2 4-6 6-3 (2h 0m)
QF: d. N. PARRIZAS DIAZ (#112) 6-3 6-2 (1h 17m)
2r: d. V. KUZMOVA (#156) 6-2 6-1 (1h 5m)
1r: d. J. LOEB (#228) 6-2 6-0 (1h 1m)

Total time on court: 5h 23m

PLAYER NOTES

- Appearing in inaugural edition of BNP Paribas Poland Open
- Has beaten Jamie Loeb, Viktoria Kuzmova, Nuria Parrizas Diaz and Kateryna Kozlova so far this week to reach the first WTA final of her career
- Prior to last week's SF run at Lausanne, had never won back-to-back Tour-level matches
- Faces fellow WTA final debutante Kristina Kucova in today's final; winner will be the 13th woman to lift their maiden title this season (also Tauson at Lyon, Sorribes Tormo at Guadalajara, Fernandez at Monterrey, Kudermetova at Charleston, Osorio Serrano at Bogota, Sharma at Charleston [250], Badosa at Belgrade, Krejciikova at Strasbourg, Samsonova at Berlin, Jabeur at Birmingham, Ruse at Hamburg and Zidansek at Lausanne)
- One of two Belgians in the draw (Bonaventure fell in 1r)
- On ITF Circuit, owns eight titles on clay, most recently at \$25k Otocek-SLO this June
- Is currently ranked No.165 – her highest position since August 2018 – and could break back into Top 120 by winning the title. Career-high ranking is No.105 (August 21, 2017)

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

SF: d. T. KORPATSCH (#162) 6-0 6-3 (1h 13m)
QF: d. E. GORGODZE (#208) 6-7 7-6 7-6 (3h 55m)
2r: d. I. BARA (#116) 3-6 7-5 6-4 (2h 50m)
1r: d. U. RADWANSKA (#209) 6-2 6-1 (1h 5m)

Total time on court: 9h 3m

PLAYER NOTES

- Appearing at inaugural BNP Paribas Poland Open
- Has beaten Urszula Radwanska, Irina Bara, Ekaterine Gorgodze and Tamara Korpatsch so far this week to reach her maiden WTA final
- Saved 4MP in QF win over Gorgodze - at 3h55m this is the longest match of the season
- Prior to this week, best results at this level had been SF runs at 2016 Montreal (hard) and 2014 Bucharest (clay)
- Faces No.165 Maryna Zanevska in today's final; only win over the Belgian came in their first career meeting nine years ago, triumphing at \$25k ITF/Zwevegem-BEL
- Before today, biggest career final ended in a straight-sets win over Cocciaretto at last year's WTA 125K Series clay-court event in Prague
- Owns 10 clay court titles on ITF Circuit, including two in Poland, at \$50k Sobota in 2014 and \$25k Torun in 2015
- One of three Slovaks in the draw (Kuzmova and Schmiedlova fell in 2r)
- Is currently ranked No.150; is projected to move into Top 120 by reaching the final



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SEASON 2021 HISTORY

- Last week at Lausanne, reached maiden WTA SF (l. eventual champion Zidansek)
- Only other WTA main draw appearance this season was 2r showing at Strasbourg (as qualifier, l. Andreescu)
- On ITF Circuit this season, finished R-Up at \$25k Grenoble-FRA in February and won 18th title at this level, at \$25k Otocek-SLO in June
- Fell in final round of Australian Open qualifying competition in Dubai in January

- Reached 2r at Hamburg (as qualifier, l. Collins)
- Contested qualifying at Wimbledon
- Lost in qualifying at Roland Garros before a QF showing at the WTA 125K Series event in Bol
- Opened clay court season with qualifying exit at Charleston. On ITF Circuit, made QF at Zagreb and Saint-Gaudens
- Reached 2r at Monterrey (l. eventual champion Fernandez) and Miami (as qualifier, l. eventual champion Barty in 3s). Defeated in qualifying at Guadalajara
- Fell at opening hurdle of Australian Open qualifying event in Dubai

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
16	137	Aces	5	192
60%	170	First serve %	64%	101
67%	43	First Serve points won %	61%	126
49%	40	Second serve points won %	42%	186
60%	18	Overall service points won %	55%	131
72%	18	Service games won %	64%	102
50%	163	Break points saved %	56%	65
41%	36	First serve return points won %	41%	30
63%	10	Second serve return points won %	56%	94
47%	88	Break points converted %	42%	169
47%	12	Return games won %	37%	92
49%	10	Return points won %	46%	40

- Best win by ranking: No.56 vs Teichmann in LAUSANNE 1r
- Longest match: 2h 10m vs Teichmann in LAUSANNE 1r
- Shortest match: 57m vs Hatouka in STRASBOURG 1r
- Most aces in a match: 4 vs Teichmann in LAUSANNE 1r

- Best win by ranking: No.48 vs Stephens in MONTERREY 1r
- Longest match: 3h 55m vs Gorgodze in GDYNIA QF
- Shortest match: 1h 2m vs Paolini in BOL 125 QF
- Match points saved: 3 vs Gorgodze in GDYNIA QF
- Most aces in a match: 2 vs Bara in GDYNIA 2r



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TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

DOUBLES FINALS

- Champion (1)
- 2017 - LIMOGES 125K (w/Savinykh)

- Runner-Up (4)
- 2018 - BUCHAREST (w/Kovinic)
- 2017 - RABAT (w/Stojanovic)
- 2015 - MARRAKECH (w/Siegemund)
- 2014 - MARRAKECH (w/Piter)

SINGLES FINALS

- Champion (1)
- 2020 - Prague 125K

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
				2019	2r		
				2018	1r	1r	
1r		1r		2017	2r	1r	2r
1r	1r			2016			1r
				2015			
	1r		1r	2014			
				2013			
				2012			
				2011			
				2010	1r		
				2009		2r	



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CAREER MILESTONES

- Last season's highlights were a couple of final appearances on ITF Circuit
 - Most recent WTA-level appearance before this season was 2r showing at 2018 Bucharest
 - Has finished R-Up at four WTA doubles tournaments, most recently 2018 Bucharest(w/Kovinic)
 - Lifted biggest ITF Circuit title in August 2017, at \$100k Vancouver-CAN
 - In first two Grand Slam main draw appearances of career, fell 1r at 2014 Roland Garros (l. Bacszinsky) and 2014 US Open (l. Rogers)
 - In terms of ranking, best win was against No.46 Oprandi at \$100kITF/Cagnes-sur-Mer-FRA in 2013
 - Fell 1r on WTA main draw debut at 2013 Palermo
 - Won five ITF Circuit singles titles in 2012
- Highlight of 2020 was lifting WTA 125K Series title at Prague in August (d. Cocciaretto in F)
 - Made 2r at Roland Garros for the first time in 2019 (as qualifier, d. Kuznetsova, l. Ka.Pliskova)
 - Highlight of 2018 was QF run at Hong Kong, defeating No.18 Ostapenko in opening match
 - Did not play for rest of 2017 season after 2r exit at Wimbledon. Was plagued by back injury
 - Ended 2016 season ranked No.80 for best year end finish. Best result was advancing to her first SF at WTA Premier level, at Montreal (as qualifier, d. No.9 Suarez Navarro and No.14 Konta, l. Keys)
 - Also in 2016 reached QF at Kuala Lumpur (l. Svitolina) and Istanbul (as qualifier, l. Voegele)
 - First WTA SF run came at 2014 Bucharest
 - WTA main draw debut came at 2009 Wimbledon, where she reached 2r (as qualifier, l. Mauresmo)
 - Made WTA qualifying debut at 2008 US Open In juniors, reached No.3 in the world and won 2007 US Open girls' title (d. U.Radwanska in F)

OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by Julien Hoferlin and Philippe Dehaes; has trained in Belgium since 2008
 - Parents are Volodymyr and Nataliya; brother is Ruslan
 - Started playing at age 8 in Odessa; first coach was Victoria Ducheve
 - Learnt gymnastics at a young age (free callisthenics)
 - Favorite surface is hardcourts
 - Favorite thing about being a pro tennis player is the emotion and adrenaline before, during and after the match
 - Enjoys spending time with family and friends, watching movies, listening to music, fashion, shopping and dancing
 - Also enjoys taking photos and modeling
 - Favorite cities are New York, Vancouver, Barcelona and birthplace Odessa.
- Mother's name is Alena; father's name is Jozef (teacher); sister's name is Zuzana (also played on the tour)
 - Started playing tennis at age 6 at father's school
 - Baseline player whose favorite shot is forehand; favorite surface is hardcourts
 - Speaks Slovak, English
 - Favorite movie is Titanic; favorite actress is Sandra Bullock
 - Favorite types of music are pop, R&B; favorite singer is Rihanna
 - Favorite author is Dan Brown
 - Also enjoys swimming, basketball, soccer, skiing, listening to music, watching movies, shopping and going on the internet
 - Idol is Roger Federer
 - Favorite city is hometown of Bratislava.